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Standing Order to Administer BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen Test by Oral Healthcare Providers

Purpose:

To enable oral healthcare providers to implement testing for symptomatic or asymptomatic staff, patients, visitors, vendors and contractors, volunteers and family members of the patients to whom providing oral healthcare in an effort to increase testing options available through use of the BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card. The BinaxNOW rapid antigen card may be used to test symptomatic individuals or asymptomatic individuals considered a close contact of an individual with SARSCoV-2. The BinaxNOW tests may be used for screening of staff, patients, visitors, vendors or contractors, volunteers and family members of the patients to whom providing oral healthcare and, if used in this manner, are recommended to be used in a serial fashion. Symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 are a new cough, difficulty breathing, loss of taste or smell, fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$), congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, sore throat, headache, and myalgia. Persons who have been exposed to COVID infection and have symptoms of the disease but have negative BinaxNOW test, should have additional testing done using different testing methods.

Policy:

This health order allows any oral healthcare provider's employee designated as a test administrator by their respective agency and who has successfully completed the required Abbott on-line training for BinaxNOW test administration to conduct sample collection or observe sample collection performed by the staff, patients, visitors, vendors or contractors, volunteers or family members themselves to ensure that proper protocols are adequately followed.

Procedure:

1. Evaluate individuals with the above criteria for symptoms of COVID-19 in the past seven days
2. Provide Abbott Fact Sheet For Patients
3. Offer opportunity for questions
4. Ensure permission has been obtained
5. Administer the test pursuant to the Product Insert and Procedure Card
6. Document
 - a. Date, time, location of test
 - b. Name, title, and professional license number of person administering the test
 - c. Name of test and manufacturer lot and number
 - d. Results of the test
 - e. Presenting symptoms
 - f. Verification of signed consent form

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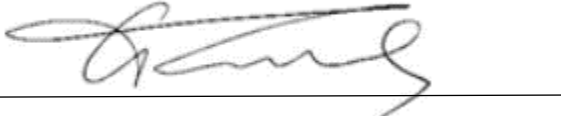
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7. Submit the required data and all test results via secure file transfer protocol in accordance with the procedure specified by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) within twenty-four hours of each test's administration.
8. Immediately notify the individual tested of his or her result and implement appropriate control measures accordingly.

This order and procedure shall remain in effect until rescinded or until June 30, 2022.



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